Docket No.: FOLTYN

Int. PCT Appl. No.: PCT/EP2004/011649

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE, AND LISTING OF ALL CLAIMS WITH PROPER IDENTIFIERS

 (Currently amended) <u>Method A method</u> of executing a measurement or control action, <u>wherein comprising the steps of:</u>

generating a temporally periodic synchronization signal [[(S, S')]] generated by a receiver [[(9)]] based on a timing reference signal [[(Z)]];

is divided dividing the temporally periodic synchronization signal by a switching frequency [[(F)]] generated by a timing generator (14) into a plurality of switching intervals [[(I_n), wherein]]; and

associating a switching command (C_n) is associated to each switching interval (I_n) of the switching intervals[[,]] with switching command (C_n) triggering to trigger an associated switching process of the measurement or control action.

- (Currently amended) Method according to The method of claim 1, characterized in that wherein the receiver [[(9)]] comprises a GPS receiver for outputting a pulse-per-second (PPS) signal[[, and that the PPS signal outputted by the receiver (9) is used]] for use as the synchronization signal [[(S, S')]].
- (Currently amended) Method according to The method of claim 1 or 2, characterized in that wherein the timing generator [[(14)]] comprises a quartz oscillator.
- (Currently amended) Method-according to one of the claims 1 to 3 The method of claim 1, characterized in that further comprising the step of continuously correcting the synchronization signal (S) is continuously corrected by a correction value [[(K)]].

Docket No.: FOLTYN

Int. PCT Appl. No.: PCT/EP2004/011649

5. (Currently amended) Method A method for synchronizing several measurement and/or control actions, with each of the measurement or control actions being executed by a method according to one of the claims of claim 1 [[to 4]], wherein the timing reference signal is based on a common timing reference signal [[(Z)]].

- 6. (Currently amended) Method according to The method of claim 5, characterized in that the GPS signal is used as the timing reference signal [[(Z)]] is a GPS signal.
- 7. (Currently amended) Controller (7) A controller for carrying out the method according to one of the claims 1 to 4 executing a measurement or control action, comprising:
 - a receiver [[(9)]] configured to generate a temporally periodic synchronization signal [[(S, S')]] based on a timing reference signal [[(Z),]]:
 - a timing generator [[(14)]] configured to generate a switching frequency [[(F),]]; and
 - a pulse divider [[(13)]] configured to divide the synchronization signal [[(S, S')]] into a plurality of switching intervals [[(I_n)]] based on the switching frequency [[(F),]] and to associate associating a switching command [[(C_n)]] to each of the switching [[interval (I_n)]] intervals[[,]]; and to output the switching command (C_n) to
 - a device [[(8)]] <u>receiving the switching command from the pulse divider</u> for triggering a corresponding switching process and executing the <u>measurement or control action</u>.
- 8. (Currently amended) Controller (7) according to The controller of claim 7, characterized in that further comprising a stored program control for supplying a sequence of switching commands [[(C_n) is supplied]] to the pulse divider (13) by stored program control.